

JOHNSON JAMES A /DC/
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JOHNSON JAMES A /DC/

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC [GS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO., 200 WEST STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/27-04:00/2012

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10282

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 07/27-04:00/2012 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 6,000 A | \$ 78.87 6,000 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 07/27-04:00/2012 | | S | 6,000 D | \$ 98.7244 0 | D | |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Un |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-------|
| Nonqualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 78.87 | 07/27-04:00/2012 | | M | 6,000 | 01/02-05:00/2006 11/30-05:00/2012 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| JOHNSON JAMES A /DC/ C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282 | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Beverly L. O'Toole,
Attorney-in-fact

07/27-04:00/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Reflects the exercise by the Reporting Person of Stock Options granted in December 2002 and scheduled to expire in November 2012.
- Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$98.7244 per share, at prices ranging from \$98.720 to \$98.755 per share. The Reporting Person
- (2) will provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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